



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH ▪ CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Tom Scanlon, City Council President
Leighton Rogers, City Clerk

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Business Meeting Minutes

2nd Floor Atrium, 38 Hawley Street, Binghamton, NY 13901

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Scanlon called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by President Scanlon

III. ROLL CALL

Present (via GoToWebinar): Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Also Present: Leighton Rogers (City Clerk), Grace Doherty (Deputy City Clerk), Sharon Sorkin (Corporation Counsel)

Absent: Strawn

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

V. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes

Approve the Minutes from August 5, 2020 Business Meeting

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Voice Vote: 6,0,0,1

City Council Finance Committee: Strawn (Chair), Resciniti, Burns

No items to report.

City Council Planning & Community Development Committee: Strawn (Chair), Scaringi, Friedman

No items to report.

City Council Municipal and Public Affairs Committee: Resciniti (Chair), Strawn, Riley

No items to report.

City Council Public Works/Parks and Recreation Committee: Resciniti (Chair), Scaringi, Riley

No items to report.

City Council Employees Committee: Scaringi (Chair), Resciniti, Burns

No items to report.

City Council Rules and Procedures/Special Studies Committee: Scaringi (Chair), Strawn, Friedman

No items to report.

VI. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS



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VII. PUBLIC HEARING

VIII. SET PUBLIC HEARINGS

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT/COMMUNICATION

*Please note: Residents wishing to submit public comment may do so electronically by emailing their comments prior to 6:00pm on the day of the meeting to clerk@cityofbinghamton.com (preferred) or via telephone during public comment at (607) 772-7101 as City Hall will be closed to the public during the meeting.

1. Robert Wilson* (Non-City Resident)

*Motion to suspend Council's rules to allow non-residents to speak: Riley

Second: Friedman

Voice Vote: None opposed

2. John Solak

3. Tina Chronopoulos

4. Ron Siwick

5. Sarah Gerk

6. Hannah Jones

7. Talon Thomas

8. Debra Hogan

9. Jordan Haleen

X. REVIEW OF MAYORAL VETO

XI. SECOND READING LEGISLATION

XII. FIRST READING LEGISLATION

A. PREFERRED AGENDA

B. NON-PREFERRED AGENDA

Introductory Ordinance 20-74. Considered in Finance: Strawn

An Ordinance amending the 2020 Capital Fund budget for the Zombie Grant benefits

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Burns

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Ordinance 20-75. Considered in Employees: Scaringi

An Ordinance to amend the 2020 Law budget to add one Assistant Corporation Counsel at an annual salary of \$58,000, to fund same, and to amend the code §124-39, definition, accordingly

Motion: Scaringi

Second: Riley



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Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Ordinance 20-76. Considered in Planning: Strawn

An Ordinance amending the code of the City of Binghamton Chapter 18, Boards, Commissions, and Committees, Article VI, Commission on Architecture and Urban Design, §18-47, Powers, and Functions, to provide for small wireless facilities aesthetic design standards

Motion: Scaringi

Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-75. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with CHOW for use of CARES ACT funds in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 to support six local community meal programs

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Burns

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-76. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with CARES for use of FY45 CDBG funding in an amount not to exceed \$3,400 for the backpack and school supplies program

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Discussion: Friedman

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-77. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with CHOW for use of CARES ACT funds in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 for food security efforts

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon



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Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-78. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Salvation Temple Church for use of FY45 CDBG funding in an amount not to exceed \$10,500

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-79. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Hands of Hope Ministries of the Free Methodist church for use of FY45 CDBG funding in an amount not to exceed \$2,200

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-80. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Mt. Sinai Church of God in Christ for use of FY45 CDBG funding in an amount not to exceed \$6,200

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-81. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with House of Worship Church of God in Christ for use of FY45 CDBG funding in an amount not to exceed \$11,000

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-82. Considered in Finance: Strawn



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A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Greater Faith and Deliverance Ministries Inc. For use of FY45 CDBG funding in an amount not to exceed \$16,500

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-83. Considered in Planning: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with River of Life Ministries for use of FY45 CDBG funding in an amount not to exceed \$8,600

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-84. Considered in Municipal and Public Affairs: Resciniti

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Matco Electric Corporation for emergency confined space rescue at Wilson Hospital

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-85. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with First Ward Action Council for use of FY45 home CHDO funding for rehabilitation of 33 Linden Street and to support future housing development projects with the Broome County Land Bank

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-86. Considered in Planning: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a grant from the Preservation League of New York State, in the amount of \$8,000 and to contract with Environmental Design and Research, Landscape, Architecture, Engineering and Environmental Services D.P.C to draft a National Register

Motion: Scaringi



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Second: Resciniti

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-87. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreements with various small businesses for distribution of Covid-19 CARES ACT funds

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Friedman

Vote: 6,0,0,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Resciniti, Riley, Friedman, Burns, Scanlon

Absent: Strawn

Introductory Resolution 20-88. Considered in Finance: Strawn

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into agreements with various not-for-profit businesses for distribution of Covid-19 CARES ACT funds

Motion: Resciniti

Second: Scaringi

Discussion: Riley, Friedman, Resciniti, Riley

Motion to allow Resciniti & Friedman to abstain: Scaringi

Second: Burns

Voice Vote: 6,0,0,1

Vote: 4,0,2,1

Ayes: Scaringi, Riley, Burns, Scanlon

Abstain: Resciniti, Friedman

Absent: Strawn

XIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

1. Scaringi
2. Resciniti
3. Riley
4. Friedman
5. Burns
6. Scanlon

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn at 8:04pm: Resciniti

Second: Friedman

Vote: All in favor